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Starry Night

- o This is **Starry Night**, a famous oil painting by *Vincent van Gogh*. Created in 1889, this artwork depicts a swirling night sky full of stars. It is known for its <u>vivid colors</u> and emotional impact. The painting was initia misunderstood but is now celebrated worldwide.
- The painting is renowned for its **bold brushstrokes**, *emotional intensity*, and <u>symbolic elements</u> like the cypress tree linking earth and sky. It is a masterpiece of **Post-Impressionism** and is displayed at the <u>Museur Modern Art in New York City.</u>



Starry Night

Mona Lisa

- o The Mona Lisa is an iconic portrait by Leonardo da Vinci, painted in the early 1500s. It is known for its mysterious expression and exquisite detail.
- o The painting is celebrated for its exquisite use of **sfumato** (soft shading), **detailed textures**, and the **harmonious integration** of the sitter with a mysterious, distant landscape. The Mona Lisa is famous worldwide, known for its artistry, boring enigmatic expression, and record-setting value, holding the <u>Guinness World Record</u> for highest painting insurance valuation



- o This is Girl with a Pearl Earring by Johannes Vermeer, painted around 1665. It is famous for its captivating gaze and subtle use of light. This artwork showcases baroque portrait techniques.
- The painting is known as a "tronie," which means it is not a formal portrait but a study of expression and costume. The girl looks over her shoulder with wide eyes and parted lips, as if caught in a moment about to speak, giving the image an intimate and mysterious quality.



Girl with a Pearl Earring

The Great Wave off Kanagawa

- The Great Wave off Kanagawa is a famous woodblock print by *Hokusai*, part of the series "Thirty-six Views of Mount Fuji". Made in the 1830s, it depicts a large wave threatening boats near Kanagawa. The artw is renowned for its bold composition and style.
- The wave's dramatic, claw-like foam and dynamic curves create a sense of movement and imminent danger. This print is the most renowned work from Hokusai's series "Thirty-six Views of Mount Fuji," notable for use of Prussian blue pigment and a blend of traditional Japanese and European perspective techniques.





The Great Wave off Kanagawa

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Steps to Create Your Own Art

- Choose your medium (paint, digital, photography).
 Sketch your idea roughly on paper or digitally.
- 3. Add color and details to bring your vision to life.
- 4. Refine your art with layers and finishing touches.
- 5. Display your artwork proudly.

Materials and Techniques Used

- Canvas and brushes
- o Digital drawing tablet
- Photography camera
- Woodblock printing tools
- Oil paints and watercolors

Comparison of Artworks

Artwork	Medium	Year
Starry Night	Oil on canvas	1889
Mona Lisa	Oil on poplar panel	1503-1506
The Persistence of Memory	Oil on canvas	1931
Girl with a Pearl Earring	Oil on canvas	1665
The Great Wave off Kanagawa	Woodblock print	1831



Mona Lisa

The Persistence of Memory

- The Persistence of Memory is a surrealist masterpiece by Salvador Dalí. Painted in 1931, it features melting clocks in a dreamlike landscape. Known for its unique depiction of time, it challenges perceptions.
- The soft, melting clocks symbolize the fluidity and subjective nature of time, challenging the rigid, mechanical concept of time as fixed. The landscape depicts Dalí's Catalonian hometown, with a distorted human f reclining in the foreground representing unconsciousness or sleep. Ants on one clock symbolize decay.



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